

WHERE GOVERNMENT KEEPS ITS OLD BONDS.

File Room of the Redemption Division of the Treasury Department Is Much Crowded.

HOLDS INTERESTING PAPERS.

First Redeemed Government Bond in Existence Occupies a Place of Honor in the Electric Protection Safe.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Great inconvenience is being experienced by reason of the crowded conditions existing in the file room of the redemption division of the Treasury Department. Redeemed bonds and notes of one kind and another are stored away here in the aggregate more than the money worth of the world.

It is one of the places used by the Government about which very little is known by the outside world. Still the file-room contains some of the most interesting historical documents in the possession of the Government.

This division occupies but two rooms, the largest of which is used by the clerical force of that branch, while the other is the storage room for redeemed Government bonds, coupons and currency. In this smaller room there are put away, in orderly fashion, bonds, coupons and other securities which have done their duty.

There are bonds and notes of all denominations, ages and manner of execution. They are all labeled and filed away on shelves reaching the ceiling of the granite-vaulted chamber. Each bundle is tied with a tag indicating the denomination of its contents and its aggregate value. The clerks in this division keep track of every bond, etc., issued by the Treasury Department, and it is comparatively an easy matter for them to find out how the wealthy men of this or any other country invest in United States securities.

For instance, William H. Vanderbilt held government bonds from which he derived an income of \$1,222,000 a year, or \$160,166 a month, or \$2,000 a day.

Interesting Historical Papers.

One of the most interesting documents of historical association is the first redeemed government bond still in existence, which, also, is in the custody of the Registrar of the Treasury. This document is highly treasured, is framed in a case of glass, closely fitting the ancient security and protecting it from the ravages of time. It is not allowed to be filed away with the other redeemed bonds, but occupies a place of honor in the electric protection safe. It can be inspected only with the special permission of the Registrar. The document is dated February 8, 1797, and is signed by H. Hillegas, "Cont-Treas." It is a receipt for the sum of \$200,000, the United States obligated itself to repay the amount in 4 per cent interest thereon on February 8, 1797.

This instrument was undersigned by Thomas Smith, bears the number 133. It is, however, the first of its kind or any other security issued by the Government since its foundation.

Another document of great interest and historical import is a draft for \$100,000,000 on the Government of England, in favor of the United States. This draft represented the award of the Geneva Tribunal in the famous Alabama controversy.

JUDGE CLARK RULES ON ELECTION CASES.

Sustains Demurrer for Judges, but Orders Clerks Sent to Criminal Court.

Judge Willis Clark of the Court of Criminal Correction Saturday sustained a demurrer to the indictments returned by the February Grand Jury against twenty-three judges of election, charging them with neglect of the duty of canvassing the registration lists and striking from them the names of persons who have moved from the precinct.

The motion was sustained on a technicality. Judge Clark holding that the indictments were manifestly defective. The State has five days in which to amend information. Assistant Circuit Attorney Bishop, who drew up the indictments, was present to represent the State. He will file new information some time this week.

It was held by Judge Clark that the indictments against the clerks of election alleging neglect of duty charge a felony, and he ordered them certified back to the Criminal Court. When the indictments were returned by the Grand Jury, Judge Clark held that they charged misdemeanors and sent them to the Court of Criminal Correction. Judge Clark's refusal to try the cases may result in throwing them out of court.

The judges of election defendants are: M. J. Kelly, M. E. McFadden, Charles Brentner, F. W. Vogelmann, Bernard Fries, John J. Maurer, A. M. Beppenberger, John J. Callahan, E. J. Coff, John Whalen, Moses Branch, Joseph Sheridan, J. F. Evans, Friedrich Jordan, John Franklin, Joseph M. Johnson, C. J. Bonroe, Frank Owens, H. F. Hodnett, M. J. Penn, of Joseph, and Joseph Watts. The clerks were: Frank Carragher, John Tracy, Charles Steffen, A. C. Smith, Patrick McDermott, Edward Rice, P. F. Mohan and A. K. Zander. The State has five days in which to amend information. Assistant Circuit Attorney Bishop, who drew up the indictments, was present to represent the State. He will file new information some time this week.

When the time is finished it will have a length of 522 miles, and a still greater saving in time will be effected.

TWO RESCUED; ONE DROWNED.

Boat Capsized and Three Girls Went Into the River.

Peabody, Kan., April 20.—Stella Wagoner, 14 years old, was drowned in Doyle Creek while fishing with a young man and two other girls in a boat. In attempting to change places on the boat the girls and the boat capsized, throwing the four into the water, which was very deep. The young man rescued all but Miss Wagoner, who floated downstream out of reach. The young man himself was rescued by a traveling man who was near by.

Barcelona, April 20.—The Socialists have decided to celebrate May day with a general strike. The anarchists, however, intend to co-operate with them.

Tooth Brushes.

Samples and seconds from the foremost makers of the world! French, English and Japanese makes! Some with slight imperfections in handles only. A splendid and most extensive assortment of styles, shapes—all kinds of bristles, hard, soft or medium—Tooth Brushes that, if it were not for the little, unimportant, scarcely visible defects, would sell readily at from 19c to 50c each—come early to-morrow and take the best one you can find for only **10c**.

Timely Dress Goods Hints.

Fashionable fabrics at a saving of a third or a half. Just as handsome, just as good, as those sold elsewhere for considerably more money.

Just 50 pieces of 50c quality Silk-Striped Dress Plaids, 38 inches wide, and in striking color combinations. Nothing could be more desirable for school dresses, separate skirts, etc. We'll not sell more than 10 yards to a customer; while it lasts Monday, at, per yard **19c**.

Waist Cloth—Beautiful silk-striped, in pretty Persian effects and latest popular colorings—only 2½ yards required for shirt waist—special Monday at, per yard **39c**.

Grain Cloth—38 pieces of this popular 40-inch all-wool dress fabric, in the new shades of tan, green, castor blue and black, worth regularly 89c—Monday, per yard **45c**.

Lace Curtains at 1/3!

A magic statement—and a TRUE one—as last Friday's immense buying crowds will readily testify. Sorry we couldn't wait on them all, but there are still plenty of the curtains left for Monday's comers. Odd lots from the best maker of lace curtains in this United States—2 to 6 pairs of a pattern—some a bit defective, but mostly perfect—all in two grand lots.

Lot 1—Nottingham and Scotch Lace Curtains, 3½ yards long and 4 in. wide—worth up to \$2.50—Monday, **98c**.
Lot 2—French Guipure and Brussels Curtains, 3½ yards long and 4 in. wide—worth up to \$2.50—Monday, **\$1.50**.
Hassocks—Large square Hassocks—made of Wilton Velvet or Axminster Carpets—in beautiful colorings—regular value 50c—Monday, each **50c**.
Brass Rods—Half-inch Extension Rods, with fancy brass ends and brackets—will extend to 36 inches—just what you need for hanging lace curtains—regular value 50c—Monday, each **10c**.

GRAND LEADER

The Fastest Growing Store in America. Broadway and Washington.

Advance Shipments

of our purchases from the stock of

James McCreery & Co.

Will arrive to-day (by express) and will be placed on sale to-morrow morning. The price paid was 60c on the dollar. We are unable to give items or prices yet, but the mere fact that these goods are from the counters and shelves of James McCreery & Co. should be sufficient to attract immense buying crowds, as only the very finest and most fashionable merchandise was handled by this world-famed firm. In addition to the McCreery goods we to-morrow offer this rare collection of values from our own superb stock and hazard the assertion, with the fullest confidence, that

There will be more actual, desirable, bona fide bargains to the square yard in the Grand-Leader to-morrow than in all the other St. Louis stores combined!

Hosiery Specials.

Ladies' fine imported, full regular made, fast black cotton hose—plain or drop stitch—high spliced heels and double soles—regular price 25c—Monday at **19c**.
Ladies' and Men's full regular imported, fast black, fancy striped and figured, and lace open-work hosiery—worth regularly up to 90c—choice Monday at, pair **49c**.
Men's fine quality, imported, full regular made Hile and cotton half hose, in fast black, tan, fancy stripes and drop stitch—double soles—high spliced heels—really worth 50c—Monday, 3 pair for a dollar—or per pair **35c**.

A Foulard Silk Event!

One of those happy opportunities that come to every merchant who keeps his eyes open—a manufacturer's stock of sample dress lengths in these popular summery silks, secured at almost half the regular prices—no two alike, but all superb in quality, dainty in colorings and tasteful in designs—not within our memory have you had such a silk-buying opportunity—silks that are retailed throughout this country at from 85c to \$1 per yard—come early Monday and secure the choicest patterns at, per yard **69c**.

Hemstitched Taffeta—In all the lead- 24-inch black brocade and figured ing shades, self colors, satin stripes and Crepe de Chine—so much worn for princely dress—A very fine grade—Monday at, per yard **85c**.
Black all-pure silk Peau de Sole or Satin de Lyons—this most popular silk fabric is retailed all over this city at \$1.00, and considered good value at that price—Monday we will let 10 pieces go at, per yard **75c**.
Novelty Silks—Specially adapted for waists, trimmings and millinery purposes—hemstitched with Persian stripes and Dresden figures—colored grounds with black braid, multi-colored plaids and Roman stripes—warp print Louisines—these are shown elsewhere at up to \$1.50—our price Monday, per yard **98c**.

Boys' Clothing.

Fashionable and dependable garments, and a very decided saving in the cost. Third Floor.

Knee Pants—for boys of 3 to 16 years—plain blue and mixed chevrons, tweeds, cassimeres and worsteds—usually 85c—our price **59c**.
Vestee Suits—Big variety of styles, of all-wool plain blue serges and mixed chevrons, tweeds and cassimeres—new, mannish coats—single or double breasted vests—roll collars—detachable shirts—ages 3 to 16—regular \$5.00 suits, at **\$2.95**.
Double-Breasted and three-piece knee-pant Suits, of all-wool blue or black cloth serges or fancy mixed Scotch chevrons, tweeds, cassimeres and worsteds—sizes 7 to 16 years—worth up to \$6.50—your choice at **\$3.95**.

Linens for the Household.

Yes, Linens for Every Household in St. Louis.

Entire stock of odd pieces, odds and ends, loom ends and mill remnants from a Belfast manufacturer at unprecedented prices! Lengths from 1 to 6 yards! Housekeepers and hotel-owners, here's the opportunity you've been watching for! Profit by it while it lasts!

Loom Ends of Half-Bleached Linen Damask, worth 30c, at **20c**.
Loom Ends of 62-inch Half-Bleached Table Damask, worth 30c, at **30c**.
Loom Ends of 12-inch Cream-Colored Table Damask, worth 50c, at **35c**.
Loom Ends of 64-inch Half-Bleached Table Damask, worth 30c, at **45c**.
64-inch All-Linen Bleached Table Damask, worth 75c, at **59c**.
70-inch All-Linen Bleached Table Damask, worth 90c, at **69c**.
72-inch Extra Fine Quality Bleached Table Damask, worth 85c, at **89c**.
72-inch Finest Bleached Irish Table Damask, worth \$1.50, at **\$1.10**.
72-inch Very Fine All-Linen Satin Table Damask, never sold in this market under \$2.50, at **\$1.45**.
All-Linen Fringed Napkins, checked plain, 16 in. lot, worth 60c, at **3c**.
All-Linen Fringed Napkins, checked plain, 16 in. lot, worth 60c, at **5c**.
6-8 size Bleached Linen Dinner Napkins, worth 15c, an odd lot at **7½c**.
2-4 size Bleached Linen Dinner Napkins—well worth 18c, at each **10c**.
22-inch Bleached Linen Dinner Napkins, worth 25c, at **12½c**.
Heavy 19 and 22 inch Bleached Linen Dinner Napkins, worth 30c, at **15c**.
TOWELS—18x36 Fringed All-Linen Damask Towels, cheap at 12½c, at **6½c**.
16x34 All-Linen Hemmed Huck Towels, worth 12½c, at **7½c**.
18x36 All-Linen Hemmed Huck Towels, worth 12½c, at **10c**.
18x38 and 20x40 Heavy Fancy-Woven Hemmed Linen Huck Towels, worth 25c, at **12½c**.
18x36 Hemstitched All-Linen Huck Towels, worth 30c, at **19c**.
22x40 Satin Damask Knotted Fringe Towels, worth 30c, at **25c**.
We will offer a large assortment of all the finest quality Fancy-Bordered Knotted Fringe Damask Towels and Hemstitched Huck Towels, including a large lot of Webb's Celebrated Towels and others equally as good, worth up to \$1, while they last, Monday, at **39c**.
18-inch Bleached Roller Toweling, worth 10c, at **5c**.
10 pieces Best Quality All-Linen Barnsley Roller Toweling, worth 12½c, at **7½c**.
Very Finest and Heaviest All-Linen Twilled Roller Toweling, 20 inches wide, worth 50c, at **12½c**.
8-4 size All-Linen Fancy-Bordered Fringed Tablecloths, worth 80c, at **69c**.
8-4 Silver Bleached All-Linen Hemmed Tablecloths, worth 110c, at **98c**.
10-4 Half Bleached All-Linen Hemmed Tablecloths, worth 130c, at **\$1.00**.
8-4 Hemstitched Half Bleached Tablecloths, worth 120c, at **\$1.39**.
10-4 Hemstitched Half Bleached Tablecloths, worth 130c, at **\$1.98**.
12-4 All-Linen Patterned Cloths, worth 27½c, at **\$1.75**.
10-4 All-Linen Bleached Table Damask Patterned Cloths, worth 37½c, at **\$2.69**.
20 Very Fine All-Linen Table Sets, consisting of Tablecloth 24 yards long and one dozen Napkins to match, worth \$2.50, at, per set **\$1.50**.
All-Linen Table Sets, consisting of Damask Cloth 24 yards long and one dozen Napkins to match, worth \$2.50, at, per set **\$3.25**.
All-Linen Damask Table Sets, with 24-yard Cloth and one dozen 24-inch Napkins to match, worth \$2.50, at, per set **\$4.75**.
Fine All-Linen Damask Table Sets, with 24-yard Cloth and one dozen 24-inch Napkins to match, worth \$2.50, at, per set **\$6.48**.
20 Very Fine All-Linen Table Sets, consisting of Tablecloth 24 yards long and one dozen Napkins to match, worth \$2.50, at, per set **\$10.00**.
A small quantity of Finest All-Linen Hand-Embroidered Hemstitched Pillow Cases, 20x36, per pair **\$1.50**.
All-Linen Hemstitched Pillow Cases, worth 50c, at each **25c**.
20x36 All-Linen Ready-Made Hemstitched Sheets, slightly soiled, or otherwise worth \$6.00, at, per pair **\$3.50**.
20 pieces of Fine 36-inch Bleached Art at, per yard **25c**.

A Fortunate Purchase of Undermuslins!

22,000 garments—a huge assortment—at marvelously low prices for Monday; excellent in economy your most ardent expectations and offering buying chances of a sensational character.

Special Offer—You are at liberty to return within 60 days any garment purchased in this sale, *Provided*, you can duplicate it at any other St. Louis store.

Special from 8 to 10 a. m.

Ladies' Drawers, of good quality muslin, with yoke band, cluster of tucks and deep hem—worth at least 25c—during above hours, per pair **11c**.

Special from 10 to 12 a. m.

Good Muslin Gowns, with yoke of tucks, finished with lace or cambric ruffles—also, Empire style, trimmed with embroidery, worth 59c— from 10 to 12 at 3 for \$1, or a **35c**.

CHOICE AT **59c**

Gowns—with Pompadour yoke, cluster of tucks and deep lawn ruffle—neck finished with insertion—flowing sleeves, trimmed with open embroidery—well worth 98c.

Gowns—of cambric, with V-shape necks—pointed yoke of lace insertion and cluster of tucks—also, dainty muslin gowns, trimmed with lace and embroidery, really worth 98c.

Drawers—of fine quality cambric, in umbrella style—lawn ruffle—pretty lace insertion and lace founce—usually sold at 88c per pair.

Drawers—of either muslin or cambric, finished neatly with open showy embroidery and cluster of tucks—regular 98c drawers.

Beautiful Gowns—in ten different and desirable styles, carefully made of muslin and cambric in Empire and high neck styles, trimmed attractively with embroidery insertion and with lace or Hamburg edges—gowns that would be splendid value at \$1.25 and \$1.50—Special Sale Price, each **88c**.

Petticoats—of extra fine quality muslin, with deep knee founce, neatly tucked and set off with Torcheon lace insertions and lace founce foot ruffle; others with deep ruffle of embroidery; \$1.75 and \$1.98 would be reasonable prices for these petticoats—Take your choice Monday at **\$1.49**.

Shirts—Umbrella style walking shirts, having muslin body, deep ruffle of India linen, prettily trimmed with insertion and Torcheon lace—88c would be a low price.

Shirts—of good muslin, with deep founce of handsome open embroidery, cluster of tucks and foot ruffle; you would expect to pay 98c at least.

Corset Covers—in the popular French style, with full front of fine cambric, three deep insertions of Val lace and also finished with Val lace at neck and elsewhere—other stores would charge \$1 for these.

Corset Covers—of fine Nainsook and cambric in full French style—some with handsome embroidery fronts, others with embroidery beading, finished daintily with ribbons.

Jewelry, Notions, Stationery, Etc.

Everyday needs and ornamental luxuries, with the same money-saving prices on them all. You'll find them on the main floor.

Are you a Buffalo?—The new Buffalo Pins, in gold and silver, for scarf or stick pin, each **10c**.
Lorgnette Chains—The new open-link, full-length chains, with fancy jeweled center on slide—silver only—worth 75c, at **25c**.
Barettes of gilt, in the oval shapes, hand engraved—worth 25c—at, each **15c**.
Pins—Oval-shaped turquoise Scarf Pins—rolled plate back and stem—special at **25c**.
Chain Purses—Extra long and well made, with fancy top and chain attached—complete for **49c**.

Shoes and Oxfords.

Shoes that are reliable—that will wear—shoes that fit comfortably and always look shapely and stylish—shoes that it's safe to save on, and on which we guarantee a saving in every instance.

Sample Oxfords—Ladies' black and tan Vici, Dongola, Royal and Imperial Kid Oxfords with cloth and kid tops, cow, Vassar and princess toes—also, common-sense soft Dongola Kid Oxfords—all that is left of two sample lines condensed into one lot for Monday—worth \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00—choice at **95c**.
Special—Odds and ends of Misses' and Children's Shoes in black and tan kid—some with cloth, others kid tops—worth \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75—while they last, Monday, pair **75c**.
Ladies' Patent Leather Shoes, with extension and Goodyear sole—also, Dongola, Paris and Kid Skin Lace and Button Shoes—Goodyear welt, patent extension sole Oxfords, hand-turned and McKay-sewed Oxfords, with kid and Goodyear welt—sold by exclusive shoe stores at \$2.50 and \$3.00—our price **\$1.98**.
Ladies' Finest Patent Leather Shoes and Oxfords—hand turned and Goodyear welt, Louis XV, military and Cuban heels, newest toes—sold by others at \$4.00 and \$5.00—our price **\$2.98**.

Housefurnishings, Chinaware, Etc.

Paints—Ready-Mixed House Paint—1 qt. cans, worth 23c, at **16c**.
Boilers—No. 8 All Tin Wash Boilers, worth 69c, at **39c**.
Washing Machines—Large size No. 3 Western Star Washing Machine—regular pr. \$3.25, at **\$2.49**.
Rakes—Heavy Iron Garden Rakes, worth 20c, at **12c**.
Salad Bowls of German China, with pretty floral decorations—worth \$1.50—Monday, each **79c**.
Wringers—Strong Wood Frame Clothes Wringers with white rubber rollers—Guaranteed for two years—Regular price \$2.49—Monday **\$1.89**.
Ammonia—Large Bottle for house cleaning—worth 10c, at **4c**.
Cups and Saucers—Haviland China Tea Cups and Saucers, beautifully decorated and worth \$4.50 per dozen—Monday, each **23c**.
Plates—German China Fruit Plates—15 new and handsome patterns to select from—worth up to 30c—Monday, each **10c**.
Glasses—Thin-Blown Table Tumblers—regular price 75c per dozen—Monday, each **4c**.
Sugars and Creams—Decorated China Sugars and Creams worth up to 75c—Monday, per pair **39c**.

Carpets, Rugs and Mattings.

A few rolls of elegant quality double-width Wilton Velvet Carpets, the kind sold regularly everywhere at \$1.25—we'll close them out Monday and Tuesday at **75c**.

20 rolls of beautiful \$1.15 Axminster Carpets **85c**.
35c and 40c Cotton Warp Jap. Mattings, at **25c**.
9x12-foot Double-Faced Sm Yarn Rugs, worth \$15, at **\$10.98**.

Laces and Embroideries.

Laces—Heavy Torcheon laces—both edges and insertions—exact copies of the real hand-made goods—worth to 10c—Monday, per yard **4c**.
Crystal Velour—Of Liberty satin and silk, in all colors—worth to 75c—Monday, per yard **35c**.
Embroideries—Heavy Hamburg Allover Embroideries in open showy designs, actually worth 98c—on main floor Monday, per yard **35c**.
Laces—French Valenciennes laces, edges and insertions, up to 2 in. wide, in beautiful designs—worth to 82c—Monday, per dozen yards **75c**.
Drapery Nets—45-in. Point d'Esprit Drapery Nets, also heavy La-Toscane and Chantilly nets, black and cream—worth 98c—at, per yard **49c**.
In Basement—Lace remnants in 1 to 6 yard lengths—Torcheon, Valenciennes, Point de Paris, Chantilly, appliques—goods worth to 50c per yard—at, per piece **19c**.
French Valenciennes Laces—Edges and insertions—up to 1½ inches wide—in white and butter—worth to 40c—in basement at, per yard **25c**.

Iron Beds—Special Sale.

200 beds—25 styles—all Smith & Davis make, with malleable iron castings and 3 heavy coats of enamel. We also include 25 children's iron cribs.
Strong Iron Bed—In plain design—nicely enameled and well worth \$8.00, at **\$1.95**.
Iron Bed—With large brass vases at top of posts—50 inches high—really worth \$4.50—Monday **\$2.89**.
Pretty Iron Bed—With brass rails at head and foot and large brass knobs—a regular \$7.50 bed for only **\$4.75**.
Handsome Iron Bed—With brass rails and large brass knobs—54-inch head—Monday **\$5.98**.
Mattresses—Well-made of moss, covered with best satin-striped ticking—also all-cotton mattress—hand-picked cotton and best satin striped ticking—regular \$5.00 mattresses—choice Monday at **\$3.98**.

CORPSE ON TRACK DELAYED A TRAIN.

Conductor and Police Feared to Remove It Without Orders From the Coroner.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Midtown, N. Y., April 20.—W. H. Carley, a conductor on the Erie Railroad, is being subjected to a rigid examination by the officials of the road because he delayed his train forty-five minutes when he discovered the dead body of Michael P. Monahan on the track in this city early Tuesday morning.

When Carley discovered the body, which had been tangled by several passing trains, he cut off his engine and ran to the East Main Street Station, where he notified the police of the discovery, fearing to remove the body from the track, because he had been once locked up in New Jersey for removing a body under similar circumstances and the Erie authorities had considerable difficulty in securing his release.

Conductor Carley says that when the Midtown police reached the scene and discovered the body of the man, he was told to remove the body from the track, but he refused to permit the police to remove the body from the track, declaring the Coroner was the only one having authority to do so. He finally induced the police to permit the removal of the body on the plea that Erie train No. 12, carrying United States mail, was due and should not be delayed.

The result of the investigation of the railroad officials, it is expected, will be a final decision of the question as to the right of a person to remove a dead body from the position in which it is discovered before the arrival of a Coroner.

TWO LIVES HINGE ON A BABY'S CRY.

Robber Threatens to Kill Women if the Infant "Squalls"—Mother Soothes It.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Ashland, Pa., April 20.—"If that baby does you squall I will put a bullet through you," calmly remarked a burglar as he held a revolver to the heads of Mrs. David Evans and Mrs. J. J. McGarry of Philadelphia, who are visiting at the home of Bernard Dolan here.

Two robbers broke into the Dolan home early in the morning. While one of them kept the women quiet the other hunted for plunder.

One of the women snuggled the little one to her breast and patted it soothingly. "That's right," said the burglar, "keep it quiet."

After \$40 had been taken from Mrs. Evans' purse and \$20 from that of Mrs. McGarry the robbers quietly walked out of the house.

\$27.50 to California VIA MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD OR IRON MOUNTAIN ROUTE. Tickets on sale April 23 and 30 to San Francisco, Santiago, Los Angeles and intermediate points. Write or call on City Ticket Office or Union Station for reservation of berths and further information.

CHILDREN THREATEN TO POISON TEACHER.

Letter Informing Young Woman She Must Die May Lead to Five Arrests.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chester, Pa., April 20.—Four girls and a boy, all pupils in the Chester High School, it is expected, will be arrested, charged with sending a threat to poison Miss Jennie McLaren, a teacher in the school, through the mails.

The threat, which has just been made public, was received by Miss McLaren before Easter. It read: "Miss Jennie McLaren, Chester, Pa.: We are about tired of your new mouth and propose to put it out of the way. Several of poison candy on Easter Sunday, and we hope that you will never see another. Everybody agrees that you mark unfair. So, mark our words, you die."

This letter was submitted to Professor Thomas S. Cole, who, investigating, found that it had been composed by four girls and a boy and mailed in Philadelphia. The pupils now claim that the threat was written as a joke.

A book owned by one of the pupils was confiscated by Miss McLaren some time ago. Professor Cole believes that the threat was sent to worry the teacher in revenge. Since the result of the investigation was made public the boy pupil has confessed that he wrote the letter. This confession sent to have been made to save the real author from being a school teacher. Professor Cole and the teachers at the school refuse to give the names of the pupils concerned in the affair.